

Making Moments Matter

Carpenter Hospice is a home in the heart of Burlington that offers both residential-based care and community-based programs to people living with a life limiting illness. It lets residents spend their final days together with loved ones in an environment that is peaceful, comfortable and meaningful. It provides support to program participants with psychosocial, mental-emotional, and practical support, and those who care for them, in a friendly and caring setting. It is staffed by a dedicated team of professionals and volunteers who provide compassionate, palliative care to meet needs and ensure that each moment counts

Music Therapist

Summary

Reporting to the Supportive Care Coordinator the Music Therapist will be responsible for the implementation of music therapy programming in the hospice. Music Therapy is important to contributing to the physical, psychological and spiritual well-being of our residents. The music therapist will evaluate, develop and implement music therapy programs appropriate to the needs of the Hospice residents and their family members, Wellness and Supportive Care program participants on an ongoing basis.

Professionalism

In the role of Music Therapist, you are expected to demonstrate professionalism through excellence in knowledge, judgement and behaviour. In the course of your duties, you will consistently demonstrate our core values of respect, compassion, honesty and equity. You will honour confidentiality and the individuality of the residents and staff. You will demonstrate appropriate conflict resolution strategies and participate in thoughtful practice to identify challenges and contribute to solutions.

Duties

Include but not limited to...

- Evaluate, develop and implement music therapy programs appropriate to the needs of the Hospice residents, their family members and program participants on an ongoing basis.
- Participate in update of policy and procedures as applicable to music therapy
- Participate as part of the interdisciplinary team in assessment, goal setting and evaluation of residents and program participants.
- Provide verbal and /or written feedback to the multidisciplinary team members as indicated.
- Attend relevant rounds / team meetings when requested / as available.
- Ensure the safety of residents during music therapy intervention.
- Liaise with Volunteer Manager when volunteers are required for implementation of music related programs.
- Liaise with Wellness coordinator to schedule and provide music therapy programming.
- Liaise with Supportive Care coordinator to schedule and implement Singing Well program in Supportive Care program. Participate in ongoing Bereavement support groups as requested by Supportive Care coordinator. Provide one on one sessions as referred by Supportive Care Coordinator.

- Communicate effectively and cooperate with other team members in delivering excellent care.
- Deliver staff and volunteer education as required
- Maintain documentation of relevant information in resident chart.
- Maintain accurate daily statistics.
- Ensure confidentiality of all verbal and written information.
- Other duties as required

Position Requirements

- Graduate from a University program in Music Therapy, Masters Degree preferred.
- Music Therapist Accredited (MTA) by the Canadian Association of Music Therapists
- Maintain all necessary professional titles and insurance.
- Professionalism and discretion with sensitive and confidential information
- Ability to work under minimal supervision while utilizing effective time management skills in order to meet deadlines
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

Schedule of Hours

12-15 hours/week depending upon caseload; (may need to work occasional evenings/weekends to meet program/event needs)

Working Conditions

- Ability to move/lift 20lbs repeatedly and without restrictions
- This job may require sitting or standing for long periods of time
- You may be required to walk, reach with hands and arms, twist, stoop, kneel or crouch.
- Exposure to bodily fluids
- Exposure to hazardous materials such as cleansers, medications etc.
- Exposure to infectious diseases
- Some travel may be required

How to Apply

We encourage all candidates with the right skill mix and abilities to please send résumés and cover letters by email before the closing date of September 28 to admin@thecarpenterhospice.com

Carpenter Hospice is an equal opportunity employer.